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EXPEDITED PROCEDURE EXAMINING
GROUP 2834

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT : JEFFREY O. WILLIS, ET AL. GROUP NO.: 2834
SERIAL NO. : 09/847,615 EXAMINER: J. Waks
FILED : May 2, 2001
TITLE : METHOD AND MEANS FOR MOUNTING
A WIND TURBINE ON A TOWER

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 15, 2002, Paper No. 7 in the above-entitled application, please enter the following response:

IN THE ABSTRACT

Please amend the Abstract of the Disclosure as follows:

An apparatus for mounting a wind turbine on the upper end of a wind turbine tower and the method of erecting the same. The tower is provided with a pair of spaced-apart guide rails positioned at one side thereof which extend from the lower end to the upper end of the tower. A carriage is movably mounted on the guide rails and has a platform pivotally mounted thereon adapted to support the wind turbine thereon. The carriage positions the wind turbine so that the spinner/hub and rotor blades may be secured thereto while the wind turbine is at the lower end of the tower and provides a

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AMENDMENT AFTER BRIEF

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Dear Sir:

In response to the telephone conference with Examiner Waks on February 3, 2003, regarding the above-entitled application, please enter the following response:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claim 5.

Respectfully submitted,



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